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**VITAL STATISTICS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (VSAC)  
VITAL RECORDS PROTECTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (VRPAC)  
JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING**

June 8, 2016  
9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.  
3701 N Freeway Blvd.  
Emerald Room 121  
Sacramento, CA 95834

**AGENDA**

- Welcome
- Introductions and Announcements
- Approval of Minutes from the Previous Meeting
- State Registrar's Response to VSAC Recommendations—Attachment 1
- Consent Calendar – Attachment 2
- Discussion Items – New Business—Attachment 3
- Recap of Data Requests Approved in the Health Information and Research Section—Attachment 4
- Public Comment
- Additional Discussion Topics
  - Review Process*
  - Certificate Revision*
  - Record Retention*
- Adjournment

## **ATTACHMENT 1— STATE REGISTRAR TO VSAC RECOMMENDATIONS**

The following project was reviewed by the Health Information and Research Section and required VSAC review and recommendation:

1. Project Title: Hospital Variation in Obstetric Care  
Principal Investigator: Xiao Xu, Ph.D., Yale University  
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol  
Data Requested: 2007-2015 Linked PDD/ED/AS/Birth Files  
VSAC Recommendation: Approved  
State Registrar's Action: Adopted
2. Project Title: Mental Rotation in Human Infants  
Principal Investigator: David Moore, Ph.D., Pitzer College  
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol  
Data Requested: Monthly Birth Data (10/01/15-07/01/18), Monthly Death Data (10/01/15-07/01/18)  
VSAC Recommendation: Approved  
State Registrar's Action: Adopted
3. Project Title: California Health Interview Survey  
Principal Investigator: Ninez Ponce, Ph.D., David Grant, Ph.D., University of California, Los Angeles  
Project Type: New Project  
Data Requested: 2009-2013 Death Files (select variables), 2014 California Comprehensive Death File (select variables)  
VSAC Recommendation: Approved  
State Registrar's Action: Adopted
4. Project Title: Maternal and Infant Health Assessment  
Principal Investigator: Paula Braveman, MD, Kristen Marchi, Co-Principal Investigator, University of San Francisco  
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol  
Data Requested: 2016 Monthly Birth Records (select variables)  
VSAC Recommendation: Approved  
State Registrar's Action: Adopted



5. Project Title: Vaccine Safety Datalink (VSD) Study  
Principal Investigator: Steven Jacobsen, MD, Kaiser Permanente  
Project Type: Continuing Project with No Changes to the Protocol  
Data Requested: 2014-2017 Birth Files (select variables), 2014-2017 CCDF (select variables), 2013-2017 Fetal Death Files (select variables), 2014 Multiple Cause of Death File (select variables)  
VSAC Recommendation: Approved  
State Registrar's Action: Adopted
  
6. Project Title: The Development of Object Representation in Infancy  
Principal Investigator: Lisa Oakes, Ph.D., University of California, Davis  
Project Type: Continuing Project  
Data Requested: Monthly Birth Records from 1/1/2016-12/31/2020 (select variables), Monthly Death Records from 1/1/2016-12/31/2020 (select variables)  
VSAC Recommendation: Approved  
State Registrar's Action: Adopted
  
7. Project Title: The Health and Housing Market Effects of Air Pollution  
Principal Investigator: Daniel Sullivan, Harvard University  
Project Type: New Project  
Data Requested: 1994-2005 Birth Files (select variables), 1994-2005 Fetal Death Files (select variables)  
VSAC Recommendation: Approved  
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

## **ATTACHMENT 2 - CONSENT CALENDAR: OSHPD DATA REQUESTS**

The following OSHPD projects are those being placed in the block in the Consent Agenda.

- Project Title: Investigating Epidemiology and Long-Term Outcomes of Infectious Endocarditis  
Principal Investigator: Natalia Egorova, Ph.D., Mount Sinai School of Medicine  
Project Type: New Project  
Data Requested: 1990-2011 OSHPD Linked PDD/Death Data
- Project Title: Medical Failure-To-Rescue  
Principal Investigator: Patrick Romano, MD, University of California, Davis  
Project Type: New Project  
Data Requested: 2009 OSHPD Linked PDD, Death/2009 OSHPD Linked EDD/AS/Death
- Project Title: Neonatal Emergency Department (ED) Utilization (protocol is different from proposal title)  
Principal Investigator: Mechelle Perea-Ryan, Ph.D, University of California, Merced  
Project Type: New Project  
Data Requested: 2008-2012 OSHPD Linked PDD/ED/AS/Birth Data

**ATTACHMENT 3 - DISCUSSION ITEMS - NEW BUSINESS**

The following projects were reviewed by the Health Information and Research Section and require VSAC review and recommendation:

1. Project Title: Healthy City Direct Technical Assistance and [www.healthycity.org](http://www.healthycity.org) Online Mapping and Analysis  
Principal Investigator: Chris Ringewald, Advancement Project  
Project Type: Continuing Project  
Data Requested: 2013 Birth File (select variables), 2012 Death File (select variables)
2. Project Title: CHAMP Grant San Francisco Health Plan Care Support Community-Based Care Management (CBCM) Program Research and Evaluation: Death Data Analysis  
Principal Investigator: Maria Raven, MD, San Francisco Health Plan  
Project Type: New Project  
Data Requested: 2012-2013 Death Files (select variables), 2014 California Comprehensive Death File (select variables)
3. Project Title: Impact of the Pulse Oximetry Screening  
Principal Investigator: Rie Sakai-Bizmark, MD, LA Biomed at Harbor – UCLA Medical Center  
Project Type: New Project  
Data Requested: 2010-2013 Death Files (select variables), 2014 California Comprehensive Death File (select variables)
4. Project Title: Impact of Life Course Socioeconomic Status on the Ovarian Reserve  
Principal Investigator: Paul English, Ph.D., CDPH/Environmental Health Investigations Branch, Maria Bleil, Ph.D., Co-Principal Investigator, University of Washington  
Project Type: New Project  
Data Requested: 1962-1985 Birth Files, Birth Certificates (born before 1980)
5. Project Title: Geocoding Decedent's Home Addresses to Evaluate Health Impacts from Localized Sources of Air Pollution  
Principal Investigator: Virginia Lau, MS, Bay Area Air Quality Management District  
Project Type: New Project  
Data Requested: 2009-2011 Death Files (select variables)



6. Project Title: Portrait of California  
Principal Investigator: Rebecca Gluskin, Ph.D., Measure of America  
Project Type: Continuing Project  
Data Requested: 2010-2014 Death Files (select variables)
7. Project Title: California Occupational Safety and Health Surveillance  
Principal Investigator: Robert Harrison, MD, CDPH/Occupational Health Branch  
Project Type: Continuing Project  
Data Requested: Death Data (October 2015 to present; select variables)
8. Project Title: Maternal Age-Specific Prevalence Rates of Chromosome Abnormalities by Race/Ethnicity in the Kaiser Health Plan in Northern and Southern California  
Principal Investigator: De-Kun Li, MD, Ph.D., Kaiser Foundation Research Institute  
Project Type: Continuing Project  
Data Requested: 2013-2014 Birth Files (select variables), 2015 Death Files (select variables), 2012 Fetal Death File, 2012-2014 Multiple Cause of Death Files
9. Project Title: Evaluating Outcomes Related to the Prenatal and Newborn Screening Programs  
Principal Investigator: Juan Yang, Ph.D., CDPH/Genetic Disease Screening Program, Lisa Feuchtbaum, MD, Co-Principal Investigator, CDPH/Genetic Disease Screening Program  
Project Type: New Project  
Data Requested: 1990-2014 OSPHD Non-Public PDD, 2005-2014 OSHPD Non-Public EDD, 2005-2014 OSHPD Non-Public AS, 1991-2011 Linked PDD/Birth Cohort File, 2005-2006 & 2012 Linked PDD/EDDAS/Birth File, 2005-2006 Linked PDD/EDD/AS/Death Data
10. Project Title: Predictors of Recurrent Breast Tumors in Women with DCIS Programs  
Principal Investigator: Karla Kerlikowske, MD, UC San Francisco  
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes  
Data Requested: 2014-2015 Death Files (select variables)
11. Project Title: Regional Opportunity Index  
Principal Investigator: Cassie Hartzog, Ph.D., UC Davis  
Project Type: Continuing Project  
Data Requested: 2013 Birth File (select variables), 2013 Death Data (select variables)

12. Project Title: Evaluating Access to Healthcare Services for Medi-Cal Beneficiaries  
Principal Investigator: Linette Scott, MD, California Department of Health Care Services  
Project Type: Continuing Project  
Data Requested: 2012-2013 Birth Cohort Files (select variables), 2013-2014 Birth Files (select variables)
13. Project Title: Normal and Abnormal Spatial Vision in Infants and Form and Motion Integration  
Principal Investigator: Anthony Norcia, Ph.D., Stanford University  
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol  
Data Requested: Monthly Birth Records from 1/1/2016 – 12/31/2016 (select variables), 2014-2016 Death Files (select variables)
14. Project Title: Out-of-Hospital Sudden Cardiac Death – Records Review  
Principal Investigator: Zian Tseng, MD, MAS, UC San Francisco, Rana Khan, UC San Francisco, Co-Principal Investigator  
Project Type: Continuing  
Data Requested: 2011-2014 Death Files (select variables), Quarterly Death Data From 1/1/2016 – 12/31/2020 (select variables)
15. Project Title: Mother and Infant Home Visiting Program Evaluation - Strong Start  
Principal Investigator: Charles Michalopoulos, Ph.D., MDRC, Virginia Knox, Ph.D., MDRC, Co-Principal Investigator  
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol  
Data Requested: 2014-2015 Birth Files (select variables), 2014-2015 Fetal Death Files (select variables)

**AGENDA ATTACHMENT 4—  
RECAP OF DATA REQUESTS APPROVED IN THE HEALTH INFORMATION AND  
RESEARCH SECTION**

**Birth Data Requests**

1. West Virginia University – 1997-2013 Birth Files

**Death Data Requests**

1. UC San Francisco – 2005, 2010-2012, 2014 Death Files
2. UCLA – 2009-2014 Death Files

**CDPH Data Requests**

1. Office of Aids – 2011-2015 Death Files
2. Center for Chronic Disease – 2014 Non-Public PDD, 2014 Non-Public EDD, 2014 Non-Public ASCD